# BEARFACTS 1993 – 2003 Lake Charles-Jennings (BEA-EA) [57091]

Lake Charles-Jennings is one of 179 BEA Economic Areas in the nation. Its 2003 population of 333,953 ranked 136th in the nation.

## PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2003 Lake Charles-Jennings had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$23,520. This PCPI ranked 159th in the United States and was 75 percent of the national average, \$31,504. The 2003 PCPI reflected an increase of 1.2 percent from 2002. The 2002-2003 national change was 2.2 percent. In 1993 the PCPI of Lake Charles-Jennings was \$15,972 and ranked 164th in the United States. The 1993-2003 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 3.9 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 4.0 percent.

## TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2003 Lake Charles-Jennings had a total personal income (TPI) of \$7,854,543\*. This TPI ranked 141st in the United States. In 1993 the TPI of Lake Charles-Jennings was \$5,181,629\* and ranked 141st in the United States. The 2003 TPI reflected an increase of 1.4 percent from 2002. The 2002-2003 national change was 3.1 percent. The 1993-2003 average annual growth rate of TPI was 4.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.1 percent.

### COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Lake Charles-Jennings. In 2003 net earnings accounted for 68.1 percent of TPI (compared with 66.5 in 1993); dividends, interest, and rent were 12.4 percent (compared with 15.5 in 1993); and personal current transfer receipts were 19.5 percent (compared with 18.0 in 1993). From 2002 to 2003 net earnings increased 3.6 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 10.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 1.9 percent. From 1993 to 2003 net earnings increased on average 4.5 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 2.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 5.1 percent.

#### EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Lake Charles-Jennings increased from \$5,718,830\* in 2002 to \$5,931,603\* in 2003, an increase of 3.7 percent. The 2002-2003 national change was 3.8 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1993 estimate of \$3,832,892\* to the 2003 estimate was 4.5 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.3 percent.

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<sup>\*</sup>Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.